

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new Claim 9. Please amend Claims 1 and 8.

A complete listing of the Claims and their present status is as follows:

1. (currently amended) A manually held scoop removing excess dough from a piece of a food product goods comprising:

a longitudinally extending handle, having a concave closed combined blade and scoop structure at a distal end thereof,

said concave closed combined blade and scoop structure having a downward curvature,

said combined blade and scoop structure having a downward facing closed recess formed by a closed bowl shaped wall forming a round hollow head container used to both scrape and remove excess dough rearward from an inner core of a bagel,

said shallow elliptical spoon-shaped closed combined blade and scoop structure scooping rearwardly and removing excess residue from an inner core of the food product.

2. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 1 wherein an outer distal end of said concave combined blade and scoop structure is serrated with teeth scraping and scooping of the food product residue, said teeth being located a leading edge of said concave closed combined blade and scoop structure.

3. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 1 further comprising an auxiliary scraper being provided at an opposite end of said bagel scoop.

4. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 1 wherein said closed concave combined blade and scoop structure is shallow elliptical spoon-shaped.

5. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 1 wherein said closed concave combined blade and scoop structure extends in a downward curvature from a longitudinally extending axis of said handle.

6. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 3 wherein said auxiliary scraper provides a resting area for the lateral portion of the user's palm when operating said manually held bagel scoop.

7. (original) The manually held scoop as in Claim 1 wherein the food product is a sliced toroidal baked bagel.

8. (currently amended) A manually held bagel scoop removing excess dough from a sliced toroidal bagel food product comprising:

a longitudinally extending handle, having a concave shallow elliptical spoon-shaped closed combined blade and scoop structure at a distal end thereof, said concave shallow elliptical spoon-shaped closed combined blade and scoop structure;

said closed concave combined blade and scoop structure extending downward substantially perpendicular in a downward curvature from a longitudinally extending axis of said handle;

said concave shallow elliptical spoon-shaped closed combined blade and scoop structure scooping and removing excess residue from an inner core of the bagel food product;

an outer distal end of said concave combined blade and scoop structure being serrated with teeth, said teeth scraping and scooping the bagel food product residue, said teeth being located a leading edge of said concave shallow elliptical spoon-shaped closed combined blade and scoop structure; and,

an auxiliary scraper being provided at an opposite end of said bagel scoop; said auxiliary scraper provides a resting area for the lateral portion of the user's palm when operating said manually held bagel scoop.

9. (new) The manually held scoop wherein said closed bowl shaped wall extends substantially perpendicular off of a longitudinal axis of said handle.